

REMARKS

This application was allowed on August 20, 2010. The issue fee is being paid contemporaneously herewith. Applicant respectfully requests entry, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, of the foregoing amendment of the claims. The amendment corrects a typographical error -- deletion of an extraneous occurrence of the word "the" in claim 1 -- and does not introduce new matter.

Applicant respectfully submits that the proposed amendment of the claims "embod[ies] merely the correction of ... formal matters in a claim without changing the scope thereof." Accordingly, entry of this amendment would "require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the [Patent and Trademark] Office" (MPEP § 714.16).

An early and favorable action, entering the foregoing amendment, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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